

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Johnny Anderson  
 Reading Bob Bonner  
 Scripture 1 Corinthians 16:13-14  
 Lord's Table (N) \*Noel Pepper  
 (S) \*Dennis Gann  
 (N) Cody Prince  
 (N) Dustin Rhea  
 (N) Steve Wilcher  
 (S) Ben Biles  
 (S) Jared Mullican  
 (S) John Nussbaum  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Tommy Crouch

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Ricky Prince  
 Reading Daniel Boyd  
 Scripture Mark 11:25-26  
 Lord's Table \*Billy Gilbert  
 \*Paul Hurst  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Tim Fisher

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan  
 Lead Singing Steve Hillis  
 First Prayer Rickey Burks  
 Reading Larry Flatt  
 Invitation Kurt Maynard  
 Dismiss Winfrey Hennessee

**Welcome Committee**

A.M. Steve Boyd Family  
 P.M. Noel Pepper Family

**Bus Driver:** Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

**Ushers:** Ken Martin & Derek Vinson

**Attend Nursery:** Becky Maynard

**Lock Building:** Tom McColloch

**Prepare Communion:**  
 Ken & Nona Martin

**Assist with Baptisms:**  
 Jane Flatt & Doris Smith

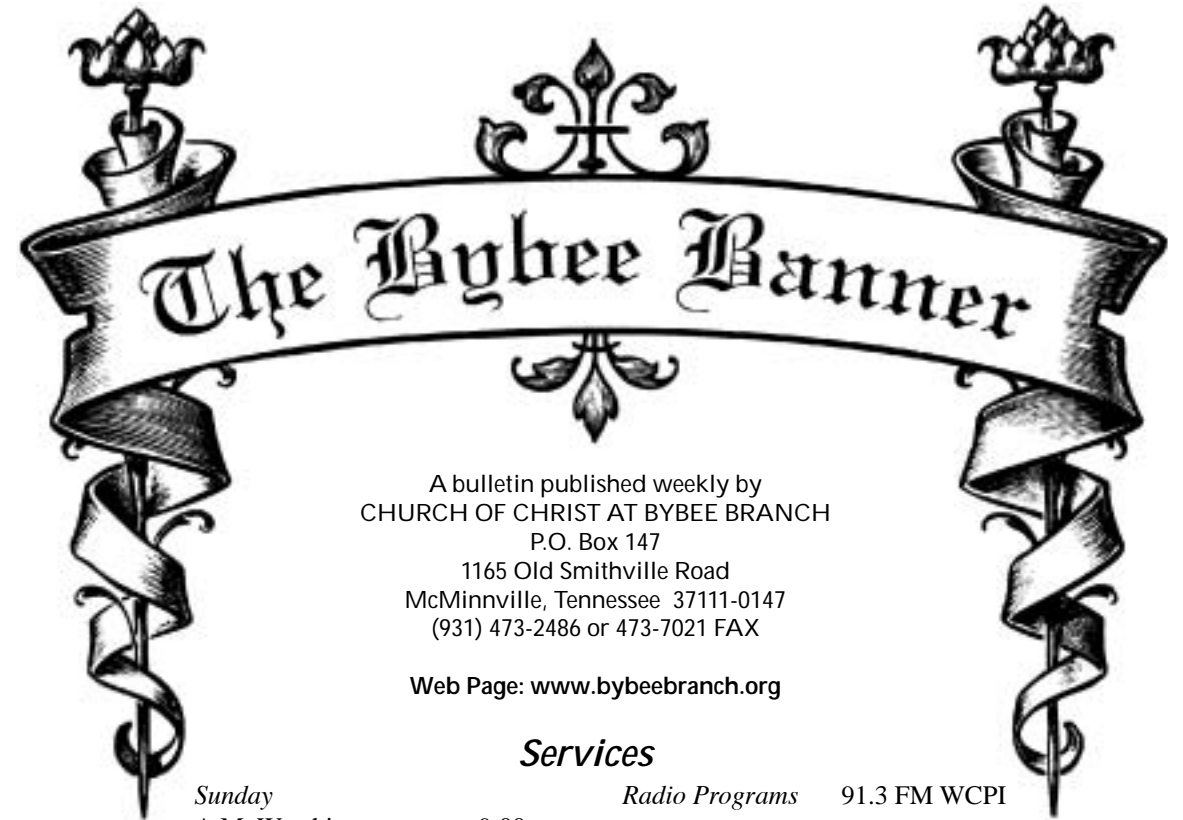
**Pantry Item:** Cranberry Sauce

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship..... 335  
 Bible Study ..... 254  
 P.M. Worship ..... 217  
 Wednesday Bible Study..... 201  
 Contribution ..... \$5,423

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**Services**

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Radio Programs</i>	91.3 FM WCPI
A.M. Worship	9:00 a.m.		
Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	<i>Sunday</i>	
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	8:00 a.m.
		Winford Claiborne	8:30 a.m.
<i>Wednesday</i>			
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

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## Sick

### At Home:

Gerry Waddell-following surgery  
Louise Driver (Mike's mother)  
Shirley Parker  
Robert Cunningham (Susan Pryor's father)  
Loy Watson  
Ralph Crouch  
Grady Hurst (Rickey's father)  
Greg Grizzell  
Pearl Biddle  
Joe Collins  
June Keaton (grandmother of Sandra Holt)

### In The Hospital:

Charles Campbell-moved to Riverpark  
Wayne Turner (brother-in law of Barbara Northcutt)-Baptist Hospital  
Rosie Rogers (Calvin's mother)-Riverpark after a fall  
Michael Brasher (Mary Flatt's brother)-Baptist Hospital following surgery (Room #8334)  
Nettie Clemons (Leonard's mother)-Riverpark

## Now That I Am A Christian

1. Now that I am a Christian, and my sins are forgiven, it is comforting to know that no one can take salvation from me.
2. I have the final say as to where I will spend eternity, and no one, absolutely no one, can keep me out of heaven.
3. My soul cannot be taken; I must give it away.
4. If I am lost, it will be only because I have given something in exchange for my soul. "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Matthew 16:26
5. The teaching of God's word is that a man sins when he is drawn away by his own lusts and is enticed. Then, when lust conceives, it brings forth sin (James 1:14-15). It is not the case that one is forced into sinning.

~Mel Martin~

## Notes from Steve

### BIBLE BOWL

The Bible Bowl will take place at Woodbury Church of Christ this Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and the bus will leave from our building at 1:00 PM. The material will cover Ecclesiastes 5 – 8.

Our monthly study will be at Rodney and Patsy Reynolds (*which is a change in the schedule*) this Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Remember to bring your Bible (KJV preferred.)

### SENIOR SAINTS

The next class is Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1.

### PEW PACKERS CLASS

The Kid's Rally in Ethridge is Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. The theme is "All God's Creatures." Games, short sermons, classes about animals, and "Dinosaurs Unleashed" will be presented by Kyle Butt (Apologetics Press.) A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with further details. The last day to sign-up is Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>.

### SPRING YOUTH RETREAT

Sign-up sheets (please read carefully) are now on the bulletin board for S.Y.R. 2005! Our theme this year is "Return To Sender." The cost is \$50.00, the date is March 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, and the place is Camp Hy-Lake.

## Baby Girl Shower

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a baby girl shower in honor of Melissa Lee Sprinkles on Sunday, February 13, from 1-3 pm in the church fellowship room. Missy has registered at: Walmart, Ashley's Attic, and Target.

## Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... How Do We Make A Strong Church?  
P.M..... "I Forgive You"

## How Do I Talk to My Friends about the Church?

Allow me to suggest four ways to communicate effectively this vital Bible truth. This plan can be used to teach any "controversial" Bible truth.

Speak INTELLIGENTLY - This requires STUDY! "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim 2:15). May we never be guilty of misusing or misrepresenting God's Word. Speaking intelligently requires a knowledge of what to say, but it also includes knowing how to say it. Too many people have driven from the truth by well-meaning Christians either through poor attitudes or poor selection of words. Colossians 4:6 says, "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, so that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man." Jesus spoke in words the common man could understand (Mark 12:37). Use words that are easily understood and create an interest in learning more.

Speak INCREMENTALLY - Don't try to teach everything you know (or think you know) in one sitting. Sometimes in our zeal to teach, we overload our audience with too much information. Remember! Most of our friends have never considered the idea that denominationalism is anti-biblical and unacceptable to God! The "one church is as good as another" idea has been taught to them all their lives. Even Jesus practiced this principle. In John 16:12, He told the twelve, "I have many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now." These men had been with Jesus, heard His teaching, and witnessed His miracles for three years, yet Jesus knew the limitations of their understanding. Paul writes similarly to the Corinthians in 1 Corinthians 11:34.

Speak ILLUSTRATIVELY - "A picture is worth a thousand words." The same is true in teaching. We all love to hear folks who can "spin yarns" and place you in the middle of their stories as if

you were an invisible spectator. Great teachers and preachers do the same. Consider Jesus' first record sermon in Matthew 5-7. Jesus pictured His audience as the light of the world and a city on a hill (5:13-16). Not coincidentally, He was on a mountain at the time. He illustrated the hypocrisy of the religious leaders (6:1-8) and the worthlessness of worry (6:25-34). He illustrated using hyperbole (an intended exaggeration - 7:1-5). He spoke of narrow and broad roads (7:13-14), of sheep and wolves figs and thistles (7:15-20), of firm and foundering foundations (7:21-27). In like fashion, the church is pictured in many ways. It is called a kingdom in Matthew 13, meaning it has a king, subjects, a law, and a boundary. In 1 Corinthians 3, Paul describes the church as a family (v 1), a field or vineyard (v 9), a building (vv 9-14), and as a temple (vv 16-17). All of these characteristics of the church can be explored individually.

Finally, speak INSISTENTLY - "Buy the truth and sell it not" (Prov 23:23). Do not compromise the truth. Where the Bible speaks definitively on a subject, we must be firm in our resolve concerning that truth. The Bible speaks clearly as to the number of churches having a scriptural right to exist . . . ONE! Jesus promised to build His church, not churches (Matt 16:18). On the day of Pentecost, the saved were added to the church (Acts 2:47). Ephesians 4:4 says there is one body. Earlier in that same epistle, Paul equated that body with the church (Eph 1:23). Later, in Ephesians 5:23-32, Paul uses 12 nouns and pronouns to describe the church . . . all of them singular. This settles the matter of how many churches Jesus built and how many existed in the New Testament.

We must not be ashamed to say what the Bible says on this or any other subject (Mark 8:38). Let us all prepare ourselves to speak as oracles of God (1 Peter 4:11). Anything less is to do God and His word a terrible injustice.

~Todd Clippard~